

Code Red November 2, 2012, 8:00PM

Good evening. This is Pat Llodra calling from the Selectman's office. As we finish day 5 of this event, we are 35% still without power. That is 3817 homes without heat or light. I know that you are frustrated with the duration of this problem – me too.

We are very close through to having all roads open to emergency vehicles. As of this writing I believe we have three impassable roads, Taunton Hill, Taunton Lake, and Hall at Currituck. We still have many, many locations with trees leaning on wires; trees and wires partially obstructing roadways; and wires hanging low over roads. We will be focusing on that work next in our effort to get roads safe for personal travel, and for school busses and ensure safe bus stops for students.

In the meantime, CL&P states that we are now in full power restoration mode. Tomorrow, we will have at least the same number of crews as today. They will continue the repowering effort, working on all circuits.

I remind everyone to call in your outage every day. It is very important that the data collected by the CL&P service center be accurate and we are already finding some discrepancies.

To those who have experienced storm damage to personal property, a link to FEMA information is on the town website or can be accessed through contact with Rob Sibley at 203-270-4351.

Hours at the Transfer Station have been extended. We are open Saturday, Sunday, and Monday from 7:00 am to 3:00 pm.

And, we will be having a debris pick up program but the details and schedule have not been worked out yet.

That's it for this evening. Good night and rest well.